

Army Aviation Officers' Pre-Command Course (PCC)

What is it?

Army Aviation is transforming and modernizing to improve capabilities to meet current and future full-spectrum aviation requirements. The Army Aviation Officers' PCC provides battalion and brigade command designees and their equivalents with an update on current Army Aviation, branch-specific doctrine and related subjects. The themes and principles of leading during a time of dramatic change are discussed in symposium to afford leaders a broad array of problem solving and leadership tools. The aviation PCC refreshes the command designee on the principles and techniques of training management. The course emphasizes organizational capabilities, branch perspectives, trends, and policies of the Aviation Enterprise. It also provides familiarization training on new and current systems and equipment in their various stages of development and implementation.

What has Army Aviation done?

The frequently changing content of Army Aviation PCC reflects the fast paced environment in which Army Aviation operates. Assembled within the course are up-to-date briefings on personnel management issues, training, fielding and operation of the newest equipment used by Combat Aviation Brigades (CABs) worldwide. All of these briefings are contained in an intensive two-week period of instruction at Fort Rucker.

What continued efforts does Army Aviation have planned for the future?

The United States Army Aviation Center of Excellence will continuously provide updated material in this course. The principles and tenets of Army Aviation will remain constant while the equipment, training and learners change. Army Aviation is pledged to equipping tomorrow's Army Aviation commanders with the skills and knowledge that will best prepare them for the challenges associated with today's wars, Soldiers and Families, and leadership.

Why is this important to the Army and Army Aviation?

Providing current, relevant information to officers scheduled to assume command of large, influential organizations such as CABs and aviation battalions is necessary to overcome bureaucratic inefficiencies, while instilling a sense of urgency towards improving the aviation community. Well trained leaders will meld the academia, experiences and mentorship of their fellow leaders in the environment of the PCC. The PCC becomes a touchstone for the senior leaders of aviation to establish a command philosophy congruent with the Army Aviation Branch and complementary to ground force commanders.

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